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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: COUNTY DEPARTMENTAL RECYCLING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Award the contract for County Departmental Recycling and Education Program to WaterWise Consulting, Inc., located in Pasadena, California. This contract will be for a term of two years commencing upon Board approval in an amount not-to-exceed \$249,900, with two 1-year renewal options in the amount of \$124,950 for each option-year, for a total of four years. Funds are available in Public Works' Solid Waste Management Fund.
- 2. Authorize Public Works to expend an additional 25 percent of the contract sum for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of work of the contract, if required.
- 3. Authorize Public Works to expend additional amounts not-to-exceed 25 percent of the option-year sum in each of the option years, if required.
- 4. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works to execute this contract, to renew the contract for each additional renewal option if, in the opinion of the Director, the contractor has satisfactorily performed during the previous contract period and the services are still required; to approve the contractor's entity change in accordance with the Board's policy on

contractor mergers/acquisitions; to approve and execute amendments to incorporate policy changes; and to suspend the contract work if, in the opinion of the Director, it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to continue implementation of the Departmental Recycling Program (DRP) to help the County comply with waste diversion requirements of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989. Public Works had contracted for this service in 2004, where a contractor conducted waste audits at County facilities to determine recycling insufficiencies and make recommendations. In the contract, which expired in June 2007, the contractor submitted waste audits reports that identified many departments lacking a basic paper recycling program. The reports also recommended that employees receive more information on how their department is recycling and their role. The work in this contract will principally consist of developing outreach materials for County employees and acquiring the recycling infrastructure to implement paper recycling programs as recommended by the waste audit reports. Desk-side receptacles and recycling carts will be distributed to County departments and employees. These measures will help increase diversion by decreasing the disposal of paper, which comprises the bulk of wastestream for many agencies.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Organizational Effectiveness (Goal 3) by having a contractor that has the specialized expertise to provide this proenvironmental service accurately, efficiently, timely, and in a responsive manner.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact on net County cost. The contract is for an amount not-to-exceed \$249,900 for a two-year term plus 25 percent for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract. This amount is based on the price quoted by the contractor. With the Board's delegated authority, the Director may renew this contract with two 1-year renewal options in an amount not-to-exceed \$124,950 for each option-year plus 25 percent for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract, for a total contract period not-to-exceed four years.

Financing for this service is included in Public Works' 2007-08 Solid Waste Management Fund.

This contract does not allow for cost-of-living adjustments.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Prior to the Director executing this contract, which will be substantially similar to Attachment A, the contractor will sign and County Counsel will review it as to form.

The recommended contractor is WaterWise Consulting, Inc., located in Pasadena, California. This contract will commence upon Board approval for a period of two years with two 1-year renewal options, for a total contract period not to exceed four years.

The Director may approve mergers, acquisitions, and other changes of form of entity or assignment in accordance with Board Policy 9.041, Evaluation of Vendors/Contractors Engaged in Mergers or Acquisitions.

This contract contains terms and conditions supporting Board-sponsored policies, such as contractor responsibility and debarment, jury service requirements, the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, and charitable activities compliance.

Proof of the required Comprehensive General and Automobile Liability insurance policies, naming the County as additional insured, and evidence of Workers' Compensation insurance will be obtained from the contractor before any work is assigned.

As requested by your Board, the contractor has submitted a safety record that reflects its past activities have been conducted according to reasonable standards of safety.

In accordance with the Chief Administrative Officer's June 15, 2001, instructions, this is Public Works' assurance that this contractor will not be requested to perform services that will exceed the contract's approved amount, scope of work, and/or terms.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The award of this contract is not a project subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is certain that this activity will not result in a direct or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment in accordance with Public Resource Code Section 21065 and Section 15378 of the State CEQA guidelines.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 4, 2007, Public Works solicited proposals from 419 independent contractors and community business enterprises to accomplish this work. Also, a notice of the Request for Proposals (RFP) was placed on the County's bid website (Attachment B), and an advertisement was placed in the Los Angeles Times.

Pursuant to the applicable memorandum of understanding, the RFP for this contracted service was submitted on April 4, 2007, to the appropriate union for review. The union has not asked to meet with Public Works regarding this solicitation.

On April 30, 2007, two proposals were received. The proposals were first reviewed to ensure they met the mandatory requirements outlined in the RFP. The proposals, having met these requirements, were evaluated by an evaluation committee consisting of Public Works staff. The committee's evaluation was based on specific numeric criteria described in the RFP, which included the price, experience, work plan, financial resources, and references. Based on this evaluation, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to the highest-rated, responsive, and responsible proposer, WaterWise Consulting, Inc., located in Pasadena, California.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the recommended contract, which is for services performed on as-needed and intermittent basis.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This contract implements recommendations that resulted from the DRP study. The award of this contract will not result in the displacement of any County employees. All County departments will be contacted, trained, and supplied with recycling bins. There will be a negligible one-time impact in terms of training time for certain existing staff in each department.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Administrative Services Division.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. JANSSEN Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: County Counsel
Department of Public Works (Environmental Programs)

SAMPLE AGREEMENT FOR

COUNTY DEPARTMENTAL RECYCLING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this _____ day of _______, 2007, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a subdivision of the State of California, a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY) and WATERWISE CONSULTING, INC., a California Corporation (hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR).

WITNESSETH

<u>FIRST</u>: The CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter set forth and the acceptance by the Board of Supervisors of said COUNTY of the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal filed with the COUNTY on April 30, 2007, hereby agrees to provide services as described in the attached specifications for County Departmental Recycling and Education Program, including, but not limited to, Exhibit A, Scope of Work.

SECOND: This AGREEMENT, together with Exhibit A, Scope of Work; Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, all attached hereto; the Request for Proposals; and Addenda to the Request for Proposals, all of which are incorporated herein by reference, are agreed by the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR to constitute the Contract Documents.

THIRD: The COUNTY agrees, in consideration of satisfactory performance of the foregoing services in strict accordance with the Contract specifications to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works, to pay the CONTRACTOR pursuant to the Schedule of Prices set forth in the Proposal as Form PW-2, an amount not to exceed the Maximum Contract Sum of \$249,900 for the two-year term, or such greater amount as the Board may approve. Should this Contract be extended, as provided in the Fourth paragraph below, the COUNTY shall pay the CONTRACTOR for each option-year an amount not to exceed the Maximum Contract Sum of \$124,950 per year, or such greater amount as the Board may approve.

<u>FOURTH</u>: This Contract's initial term shall be for a period of two years commencing upon Board approval. At the discretion of the COUNTY, this Contract may be extended in increments of one year, not to exceed a total contract period of four years. The COUNTY, acting through the Director, may give a written notice of intent to extend this Contract at least 30 days prior to the end of each term.

<u>FIFTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR shall bill monthly, in arrears, for the work performed during the preceding month. Work performed shall be billed at the unit prices quoted in Form PW-2, Schedule of Prices. Notwithstanding the amounts of compensation quoted in the Schedule of Prices, Public Works and the CONTRACTOR may agree in writing that the compensation quoted in Schedule of Prices may be reduced as a result of savings realized in the performance of work. Should the CONTRACTOR perform any task for a lower price

than originally agreed or should any task be curtailed, resulting in a surplus in the funds allocated in Form PW-2 for the work during the initial two-year term or during the option-years, Public Works may direct the application of any surplus to increase the quality or quantity of any other tasks provided for the in the Schedule of Prices, Form PW-2. However, such reallocation of funds is permitted only with the written approval of Public Works.

<u>SIXTH</u>: Public Works will make payment to the CONTRACTOR within 30 days of receipt and approval of a properly completed invoice. Each invoice shall be in triplicate (original and two copies) and shall itemize the work completed. The invoices shall be submitted to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Attention Fiscal Division, Accounts Payable P.O. Box 7508 Alhambra, CA 91802-7508

<u>SEVENTH</u>: In no event shall the aggregate total amount of compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR exceed the amount of compensation authorized by the Board. Such aggregate total amount is the Maximum Contract Sum.

<u>EIGHTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that only the designated Public Works Contract Manager is authorized to request or order work under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the designated Contract Manager is not authorized to request or order any work that would result in the CONTRACTOR earning an aggregate compensation in excess of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum.

NINTH: The CONTRACTOR shall not perform or accept work requests from the Contract Manager or any other person that will cause the Maximum Contract Sum of this Contract to be exceeded. The CONTRACTOR shall monitor the balance of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum. When the total of the CONTRACTOR'S paid invoices, invoices pending payment, invoices yet to be submitted, and ordered services reaches 75 percent of the Maximum Contract Sum, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Contract Manager in writing. The CONTRACTOR shall send written notification to the Contract Manager when this Contract is within six months from expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove.

<u>TENTH</u>: No cost-of-living adjustments shall be granted for the optional renewal periods.

<u>ELEVENTH</u>: In the event that terms and conditions listed in the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal conflict with the COUNTY'S specifications, requirements, terms and conditions as reflected in this AGREEMENT, including, but not limited to, Exhibits A through D, inclusive, the COUNTY'S provisions shall control and be binding.

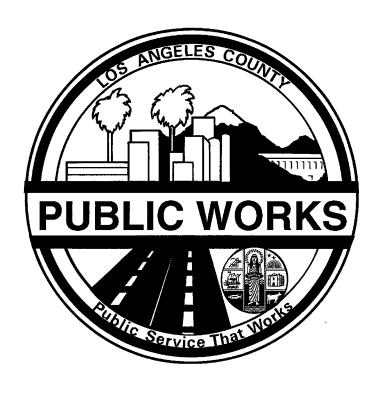
TWELFTH: This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR with respect to the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COUNTY has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

| | COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES |
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| | By Director of Public Works |
| APPROVED AS TO FORM: | |
| RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR. County Counsel | |
| By Deputy | |
| | WATERWISE CONSULTING, INC. |
| | By Its President |
| | Its President |
| | Type or Print Name |
| | By Its Secretary |
| | |
| | Type or Print Name |

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Part II Agreement



BY AND BETWEEN

THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

AND

WATERWISE CONSULTING, INC.

FOR

COUNTY DEPARTMENTAL RECYCLING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM (2007-AN021)

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SCOPE OF WORK

COUNTY DEPARTMENTAL RECYCLING AND EDUCATION PROGRAM

(2007-AN021)

A. Public Works Contract Manager

Public Works Contract Manager will be Mr. Levon Khachatryan of Environmental Programs Division, who may be contacted at (626) 458-2535, e-mail address: lkhachatryan@dpw.lacounty.gov, Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The Contract Manager is the only person authorized by Public Works to request work of the Contractor. From time to time, Public Works may change the Contract Manager. The Contractor will be notified in writing when there is a change in the Contract Manager.

B. Work Location

Los Angeles County.

C. Work Description

1. Background

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 requires cities and counties in California to divert at least 50 percent of their solid waste from disposal in landfills. To comply with the State's waste diversion mandates, Public Works serves as the Countywide Recycling Coordinator to implement waste reduction and recycling processes within the County departmental workplaces through the Board-approved Departmental Recycling Program (DRP). One of the goals of the DRP includes promoting waste reduction and materials reuse and recycling where feasible. To enhance County workplace recycling, the DRP has identified, through waste audits and site visits, a need for more outreach and to implement paper recycling infrastructure in different County departments.

2. Work Required

The Contractor's work shall entail:

Task 1 – Outreach: Create and produce outreach materials to employees of all County departments, aimed toward encouraging environmental stewardship through the practices of reducing, reusing, and recycling resources in the workplace. Messages in the materials shall include information applicable to environmental protection, practical and simple waste reduction and recycling tips in the workplace, and useful contact and resources information. Task 2 – Recycling Infrastructure: Acquire and distribute (a) desk-side receptacles for depositing recyclable paper, (b) recycling carts to be strategically located in the workplaces from which the collected recyclable paper, including cardboard is hauled, and (c) receptacles to deposit used batteries.

Task 3 – Program Management: Conduct training sessions, including presentations for County employees to kick off the implementation of the paper recycling program and to positively motivate the employees to practice waste reduction and recycling. Conduct evaluations to determine the effectiveness of the program.

D. Work Description

1. Task 1 – Outreach

- a. Contractor shall create, develop, and produce outreach materials that positively motivate County department employees to habitually practice reducing waste and reusing and recycling workplace Any specific topics to be included in the outreach materials will be provided by the Contract Manager. created, developed, and/or produced by the Contractor must be professional, colorful, and appealing in appearance, and approved by the Contract Manager prior to print. The incorporation of languages, other than English, may also be necessary. Contractor shall employ an experienced graphic designer to develop the outreach, who will be compensated by the hour by the County. The hours to produce the outreach materials should be reasonable. meet industry standards, and be approved by the County prior to Contractor shall create and write articles in beginning work. Microsoft Word as specified by the Contract Manager.
- b. <u>Flyers:</u> Contractor shall create, produce, and print flyers of dimensions 5.5 x 8.5 inches. Flyers shall be printed double sided on 30 percent post-consumer, recycled-content paper.
- c. <u>Brochures:</u> Contractor shall create, produce, and print brochures of dimensions 8.5 x 11 inches when unfolded. Brochures shall be printed double sided on 30 percent post-consumer, recycled-content paper and be glossy and tri folded, either c-fold or z-fold (at the discretion of the Contract Manager).
- d. <u>Newsletters:</u> Contractor shall create, produce, and print newsletters of dimensions 8.5 x 11 inches. Newsletters shall be two pages in length and printed double sided on 30 percent post-consumer, recycled-content paper.

e. <u>Posters:</u> Contractor shall create, produce, and print posters of dimensions 11 x 17 inches. The appearance of the posters shall be professional, simple, and appealing with a positive and compelling waste reduction and recycling message.

2. <u>Task 2 – Recycling Infrastructure</u>

To establish a recycling infrastructure in the County department workplaces, Contractor shall provide receptacles and carts as directed by the County upon Contract Manager's approval of the items. County aims to acquire desk-side receptacles and carts in batches as directed by the Contract Manager. Contractor shall deliver and distribute the receptacles and carts at County facilities, as directed by the County. Once invoiced by the Contractor and paid by the County, the receptacles and carts become the properties of the County.

- a. <u>Desk-Side Receptacles:</u> Contractor shall provide and distribute durable plastic desk-side receptacles for employees to deposit recyclable paper. Receptacles shall be between 6 and 10 gallons in capacity with a handle for convenient transport and prominently blue in color with "PAPER RECYCLING" clearly and legibly inscribed in white lettering.
- b. Recycling Carts: Contractor shall provide and distribute durable plastic recycling carts in sets to be strategically located in County departments into which recyclable paper is deposited. Each set shall contain one cart for white paper, one cart for mixed paper, and one cart for cardboard, unless otherwise specified by the County. Carts shall be made available in 64- and 96-gallon capacities, have wheels on the base, a handle on the back for convenient transportation, and a cover hinged to the body of the cart. The carts shall be provided in three distinctly, different colors and must be approved by the Contract Manager. Each container on its front side shall clearly and legibly display one of the following: WHITE PAPER, MIXED PAPER, or CARDBOARD.
- c. <u>Battery Receptacles:</u> Contractor shall provide durable plastic receptacles for employees to deposit used batteries. Receptacles shall be strategically located in the workplaces in coordination with the appropriate County building management personnel. The receptacles shall have the inscription BATTERIES prominently and legibly displayed.

3. <u>Task 3 – Project Management</u>

Contractor shall manage all work activities in a manner that yields quality outreach and infrastructure products and ensures the timely progress and completion of tasks in coordination with the Contract Manager. Contractor's staff shall present themselves professionally, both in manner and dress, particularly when meeting and working with personnel of various County departmental facilities. Prior to beginning work, the Contractor shall hold a kick off meeting with the County at Public Works headquarters. To augment the outreach and recycling infrastructure components, the Contractor shall also perform the following:

- a. Quarterly Meetings: The Contractor shall hold quarterly meetings at Public Works Headquarters to discuss contract status, pertinent issues, progress made, work done, work pending, and any problems encountered. The Contractor shall prepare and submit the agenda one week prior to the meetings. The Contractor shall prepare and submit minutes of the meeting for review and approval. Minutes and any other documents shall be printed double sided on 30 percent post-consumer, recycled-content paper.
- b. Incentive Award: The Contractor shall assist the County in awarding an "Outstanding Recycling Coordinator" incentive award each quarter, which recognizes County Recycling Coordinators who have demonstrated notable efforts to enhance recycling in the workplace. For each winner, the Contractor shall purchase a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond by obtaining a U.S. Savings I Bond application from a prominent bank chain and writing a valid check for \$100 made to the bank for securing the Savings Bond. Winners will obtain the Savings Bonds by submitting the application and check at a branch of the bank. Winners will be determined by the County.
- c. <u>Presentation and Training Sessions</u>: Contractor shall conduct presentation and training sessions at County departments to inform employees of the value of habitually practicing waste reduction and recycling in the workplace. Sessions shall include visual presentations to reinforce the message of environmental stewardship and include practical and simple tips on how to reduce, reuse, and recycle. Contractor shall be prepared to answer questions and provide relevant contact information or additional resources to address inquiries.
- d. <u>Evaluations</u>: Contractor shall evaluate County departments to gauge the effectiveness of the implemented paper recycling infrastructure, and submit a report for each departmental facility to the Contract Manager detailing how well the program is operating.

Evaluations include visiting the subject facility, meeting with its Recycling Coordinator, walking the floors to observe recycling bin usage, and interviewing employees to evaluate the effectiveness of the outreach and their participation rate. The report should include the following:

- Frequency at which employees recycle paper.
- Employees' opinion on how well the program is operating.
- Comments on how to improve the program.
- Reports on any additional infrastructure needs or modifications.

E. Schedule of Deliverables

Contractor shall complete tasks and deliverables according to the following schedule:

1. Task 1 – Outreach

- a. <u>Flyers</u>: Contractor shall submit a draft within 12 business days upon the request of the Contract Manager for review and comments.
- b. <u>Brochures</u>: Contractor shall submit a draft within 15 business days upon the request of the Contract Manager for review and comments.
- c. <u>Newsletter</u>: Contractor shall submit a draft within 15 business days upon the request by the Contract Manager for review and comments.
- d. <u>Posters</u>: Contractor shall submit a draft within 12 business days upon the request by the Contract Manager for review and comments.
- e. <u>Articles</u>: Contractor shall submit a draft within ten business days upon the request by the Contract Manager for review and comments.

2. <u>Task 2 – Recycling Infrastructure</u>

<u>Desk-Side Receptacles</u>, <u>Recycling Carts</u>, <u>and Battery Receptacles</u>: Contractor shall be prepared to deliver desk-side receptacles, recycling carts, and battery receptacles within 90 calendar days upon the request of the Contract Manager.

3. <u>Task 3 – Program Management</u>

- a. <u>Minutes</u>: Contractor shall submit the minutes of quarterly meetings within five business days after the meeting.
- b. <u>Incentive Award</u>: Within ten business days of assignment by the Contract Manager of the incentive award, the Contractor shall submit a U.S. Savings I Bond application and \$100 check.
- c. <u>Presentation and Training Sessions</u>: The Contractor shall conduct presentation and training sessions as scheduled, directed and coordinated by the Contract Manager.
- d. <u>Evaluations</u>: Evaluations shall be conducted as scheduled between the Contractor and County as directed by the Contract Manager. Within ten business days of the evaluation, the Contractor shall submit the report.

Public Works reserves the right to determine if any work is or will be needed under this Contract, at the County's sole and absolute discretion. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim for loss profits or otherwise, should Public Works fail to determine a need for services under this Contract.

F. Reports and Materials

All documents, reports, and other materials prepared by the Contractor under this Contract shall be delivered to Public Works and shall become the property of the County. All legal rights and privileges of the study, in whole or in part, are retained by the County. No parts of this program may be used for any purposes without the prior consent of the County. Reports shall be written in Microsoft Word format. Any fonts used in the materials (other than Times, Courier, and Arial) shall be provided in TrueType format. Materials shall be produced for output on 8.5- x11-inch or 11- x17-inch paper. All graphics shall be in PC-readable format, such as Adobe Illustrator, Adobe PageMaker, or Adobe Photoshop format. Images shall be maintained in an editable format with no constraints on ability to use the materials.

G. Special Safety Requirements

In the performance of this Contract, precaution shall be exercised by the Contractor for the protection of persons, including employees, and property. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws governing safety, health, and sanitation. The Contractor shall provide all safety devices, safeguards, and protective equipment and take any other needed

actions on its own volition (or as Public Works may determine reasonably necessary to protect the life and health of employees on the job and the safety of the public and to protect property in connection with the performance of the work covered by this Contract). Contractor's personnel shall observe all applicable Cal/OSHA regulations while at any demonstration facility or other County jobsite. Suitable clothing, hats, gloves, and shoes that meet Cal/OSHA requirements are required.

H. Responsibilities of the Contractor

Contractor shall provide a Contract Representative (CR) who is a full-time employee of the Contractor. This CR shall provide overall management and coordination of this Contract and act as the central contact for Public Works. The CR shall have full authority to act for the Contractor on all Contract matters relating to daily operation, including answering questions, responding to emergencies, and approving reports. Supervision shall be provided to the satisfaction of the Contract Manager.

I. Contractor Safety Official

The Contractor shall designate in writing a Contractor Safety Official who shall be thoroughly familiar with the Contractor's Injury and Illness Prevention Program and Code of Safe Practices. The Contractor Safety Official shall be available at all times to abate any potential safety hazards and shall have the authority and responsibility to shut down an operation, if necessary. Failure by the Contractor to provide the required Contractor Safety Official shall be grounds for Public Works to direct the cessation of all work activities and operations at no cost to Public Works until such time as the Contractor is in compliance.

J. Liquidated Damages

- In any case of the Contractor's failure to meet certain specified performance requirements, Public Works may, in lieu of other remedies provided by law or the Contract, assess liquidated damages in specified sums and deduct them from any regularly scheduled payment to the Contractor. However, neither the provision of a sum of liquidated damages for nonperformance or untimely or inadequate performance nor the County's acceptance of liquidated damages shall be construed to waive the County's right to reimbursement for damage to its property or indemnification against third-party claims.
- 2. The amounts of liquidated damages have been set in recognition of the following circumstances existing at the time of the formation of the Contract:

- a. All of the time limits and acts required to be done by both parties are of the essence of the Contract.
- b. The parties are both experienced in performance of the Contract work.
- c. The Contract contains a reasonable statement of the work to be performed in order that the expectations of the parties to the Contract are realized. The expectation of Public Works is that the work will be performed with due care in a workmanlike, competent, timely, and cost-efficient manner while the expectation of the Contractor is a realization of a profit through the ability to perform the Contract work in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract at the Proposal price.
- d. The parties are not under any compulsion to contract.
- e. The Contractor's acceptance of the assessment of liquidated damages against it for unsatisfactory and late performance is by agreement and willingness to be bound as part of the consideration being offered to Public Works for the award of the Contract.
- f. It would be difficult for Public Works to prove the loss resulting from nonperformance or untimely, negligent, or inadequate performance of the work.
- g. The liquidated sums specified represent a fair approximation of the damages incurred by Public Works resulting from the Contractor's failure to meet the performance standard as to each item for which an amount of liquidated damages is specified.
- h. The Contractor shall pay Public Works, or Public Works may withhold the whole or portion of the monies due the Contractor for the failure to perform any portion of this Contract. The amount of the liquidated damages will be as shown:

i. Task 1 and 3 \$ 50 per day late ii. Task 2 \$100 per day late

Execution of this Contract shall constitute an agreement by Public Works and Contractor that liquidated damages assessed per day is the minimum value of the costs and actual damage caused by failure of the Contractor to complete the work within the allotted time, that such sum is liquidated damages and shall not be construed as a penalty, and that such sum may be deducted from payments due the Contractor, if such delay occurs.

K. <u>Utilities</u>

The County will not provide utilities.

L. Storage Facilities

The County will not provide storage facilities for the Contractor.

M. Responsibilities of Public Works

The County will determine the need for and provide jobsite inspection.

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SERVICE CONTRACT GENERAL REQUIREMENTS SECTION 1

INTERPRETATION OF CONTRACT

A. <u>Ambiguities or Discrepancies</u>

Both parties have either consulted or had the opportunity to consult with counsel regarding the terms of this Contract and are fully cognizant of all terms and conditions. Should there be any uncertainty, ambiguity, or discrepancy in the terms or provisions hereof, or should any misunderstanding arise as to the interpretation to be placed upon any position hereof or the applicability of the provisions hereunder, neither party shall be deemed as the drafter of this Contract and the uncertainty, ambiguity, or discrepancy shall not be construed against either party.

B. <u>Definitions</u>

Whenever in the Request for Proposals, Contract, Scope of Work, Specifications, Terms, Requirements, and/or Conditions the following terms are used, the intent and meaning shall be interpreted as follows:

<u>Agreement</u>. The written, signed accord covering the performance of the requested service.

<u>Board</u>. The Board of Supervisors of County of Los Angeles and Ex-Officio Board of Supervisors of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

<u>Contract</u>. The written agreement covering the performance of the service and the furnishing of labor, materials, supervision, and equipment in the performance of the service. The contract includes the Agreement, Scope of Work (Specifications), Exhibit B - Service Contract General Requirements, Exhibit C - Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015, Exhibit D - Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters, and other appropriate exhibits and amendments. Included are all supplemental agreements amending or extending the service to be performed, which may be required to supply acceptable services specified herein.

<u>Contractor</u>. The person or persons, sole proprietor, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity who has entered into an agreement with County to perform or execute the work covered by these this Contract.

<u>Contract Work or Work</u>. The entire contemplated work of maintenance and repair to be performed, and services rendered as prescribed in this Contract.

<u>County</u>. Includes County of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Los Angeles County Road Department, and/or Los Angeles County Engineer.

<u>Day</u>. Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.

<u>Director</u>. The Director of Public Works, County of Los Angeles, as used herein, includes the Road Commissioner, County of Los Angeles; County Engineer, County of Los Angeles; Chief Engineer, Los Angeles County Flood Control District; and/or authorized representative(s).

<u>District</u>. Los Angeles County Flood Control District, or Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts, or Los Angeles County Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District.

<u>Fiscal Year</u>. The 12 month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.

<u>Maximum Contract Sum</u>. The Maximum Contract Sum is the aggregate total amount of compensation authorized by the Board.

<u>Proposal</u>. The written materials that a Proposer submits in response to a solicitation document (Request for Proposals).

<u>Proposer</u>. Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity submitting a Proposal for the work, acting directly or through a duly authorized representative.

Public Works. County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

<u>Solicitation</u>. Request for Proposals, Invitation for Bids, Request for Statement of Qualifications, or Request for Quotation.

<u>Specifications</u>. The directions, provisions, and requirements contained herein, as supplemented by such special provisions as may be necessary pertaining to method, manner, and place of performing the work under this Contract.

<u>Subcontract</u>. An agreement by the contractor to employ a subcontractor at any tier; to employ or agree to employ a subcontractor, at any tier.

<u>Subcontractor</u>. Any individual, person or persons, sole proprietor, firm, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other legal entity furnishing supplies, services of any nature, equipment, and/or materials to Contractor in furtherance of the Contractor's performance of this Contract, at any tier, under oral or written agreement.

C. <u>Headings</u>

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define or limit the scope of any provision thereof.

SECTION 2

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS PERTAINING TO CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

A. <u>Amendments</u>

- 1. For any change which affects the scope of work, contract sum, payments, or any term or condition included in this Contract, an amendment shall be prepared and must be executed by Contractor and the Board or the Director, if delegated by the Board.
- 2. The Board or County's Chief Administrative Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in this Contract during the term of this Contract. County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the Board or the Chief Administrative Officer. To implement such changes, an amendment to this Contract shall be prepared by Public Works for execution by Contractor and the Director.
- 3. County may, at its sole discretion, authorize extensions of time to this Contract's term. Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an amendment to this Contract must be prepared and executed by Contractor and the Board or the Director, if delegated by the Board, the Director and Contractor. To the extent that extensions of time for Contractor performance do not impact either scope or amount of this Contract, Public Works may, at its sole discretion, grant Contractor extensions of time provided; however, that the aggregate of all such extensions during the life of this Contract shall not exceed 120 days.

B. <u>Assignment and Delegation</u>

- 1. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in the County's sole and absoulte discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written amendment to this Contract, which is formally approved and executed by Contractor and the Board or if delegated by the Board, the Director and Contractor. Any payments by County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims which Contractor may have against County.
- 2. Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest

they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.

3. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default of Contractor.

C. <u>Authorization Warranty</u>

Contractor represents and warrants that the person(s) executing this Contract for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

D. Budget Reduction

In the event that the Board adopts, in any fiscal year, a County budget which provides for reduction in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County contracts, County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions) and the services to be provided by Contractor under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. County's notice to Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within 30 days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentences, Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

E. Complaints

Contractor shall develop, maintain, and operate procedures for receiving, investigating, and responding to any complaints by any individual.

1. Within 12 business days after this Contract's effective date, Contractor shall provide County with Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating, and responding to any complaints by any individual.

- 2. County will review Contractor's policy and provide Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 3. If County requests changes in Contractor's policy, Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five business days for County approval.
- 4. If, at any time, Contractor wishes to change Contractor's policy, Contractor shall submit proposed changes to County for approval before implementation.
- 5. Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the Contract Manager of the status of the investigation within five business days of receiving the complaint.
- When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 7. Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the Contract Manager within three business days of mailing to the complainant.

F. Compliance with Applicable Laws

- 1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated by reference.
- Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold County harmless from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees arising from or related to any violation on the part of Contractor or its employees, agents, or subcontractors of any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, or directives.

G. Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical disability, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. Contractor shall comply with its EEO Certification (Form PW-7).

H. Confidentiality

- Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records obtained from County under this Contract in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives relating to confidentiality.
- 2. Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents, and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.

I. <u>Conflict of Interest</u>

- No County employee whose position with County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of the work hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.
- Contractor represents and warrants that it is aware of, and its authorized 2. officers have read, the provisions of Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, "Certain Contracts Prohibited," and that execution of this Agreement will not violate those provisions. Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph shall be a material breach of this Contract subjecting Contractor to either contract termination for default or debarment proceedings or both. Contractor must sign and adhere to the "Conflict of Interest Certification" (Form PW-5).
- J. <u>Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoffs or Former County Employee on Reemployment List</u>

Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified permanent

County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

K. Consideration of Hiring GAIN/GROW Participants

- 1. Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in County's Department of Public Social Services' Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that Contractor will interview qualified candidates. County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by category to Contractor.
- In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

L. <u>Contractor's Acknowledgment of County's Commitment to Child Support Enforcement</u>

Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the enforcement of child support laws and the apprehension of child support evaders. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County contractors to voluntarily post County's L.A.'s Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. County's Child Support Services Department will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

M. <u>Contractor's Charitable Activities Compliance</u>

The Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act regulates entities receiving or raising charitable contributions. The "Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004" (SB 1262, Chapter 919) increased Charitable Purposes Act requirements. By requiring contractors to complete the Charitable Contributions Certification (Form PW-12), County seeks to ensure that all County contractors which receive or raise charitable contributions comply with California law in order to protect County and its taxpayers. A contractor which receives or raises charitable contributions without complying with its obligations under California law commits a material breach subjecting it to either contract termination for default or debarment proceedings or both. (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202)

N. <u>Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program</u>

- 1. Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.
- 2. As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200), and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain compliance with the employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

O. County's Quality Assurance Plan

County or its agent will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all this Contract's terms and conditions and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which County determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of this Contract in jeopardy, if not corrected, will be reported to the Board. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Contract for default or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

P. <u>Damage to County Facilities, Buildings, or Grounds</u>

- Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by Contractor or employees or agents of Contractor.
- 2. Such repairs shall be made immediately after Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than 30 days after the occurrence. If Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by Contractor by cash payment

upon demand. County may deduct from any payment otherwise due Contractor for costs incurred by County to make such repairs.

Q. <u>Employment Eligibility Verification</u>

- 1. Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all of its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.
- 2. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, County, its Board, agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County or both in connection with any alleged violation of Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Contract.

R. Facsimile Representations

At the discretion of County, County may agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of Contractor's authorized officers, when appearing in appropriate places on the change notices and amendments prepared pursuant to this Exhibit's Amendments, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to change notices and amendments to this Contract, such that the Contractor need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

S. Fair Labor Standards

Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Board, agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

T. Governing Laws, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. To the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, Contractor and County agree and consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes concerning this Contract and further agree and consent that venue of any action brought in connection with or arising out of this Contract, shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

U. Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

- 1. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State antidiscrimination laws and regulations.
- 2. Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Contractor's EEO Certification (Form PW-7).
- 3. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State antidiscrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection of training, including apprenticeship.
- 4. Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 5. Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.

- 6. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this paragraph when so requested by County.
- 7. If County finds that any of the above provisions have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which County may terminate for default or suspend this Contract. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the antidiscrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated Federal or State antidiscrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the antidiscrimination provisions of this Contract.
- 8. The parties agree that in the event Contractor violates any of the antidiscrimination provisions of this Contract, County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to a sum of \$500 for each violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

V. <u>Nonexclusivity</u>

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict County from acquiring similar, equal, or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

W. No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Contract

Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration/termination of this Contract.

X. Notice of Delays

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

Y. <u>Notice of Disputes</u>

Contractor shall bring to the attention of the Contract Manager any dispute between County and Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the Contract Manager is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director will resolve it.

Z. Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit

Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015 (Exhibit C).

AA. Notices

Notices desired or required to be given under these Specifications, Conditions, or Terms herein or any law now or hereafter in effect may, at the option of the party giving the same, be given by enclosing the same in a sealed envelope addressed to the party for whom intended and by depositing such envelope with postage prepaid with the United States Post Office and any such notice and the envelope containing the same shall be addressed to Contractor at its place of business, or such other place as may be hereinafter designated in writing by Contractor. The notices and envelopes containing the same to County shall be addressed to:

Chief, Administrative Services Division County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works P.O. Box 1460 Alhambra, CA 91802-1460

In the event of suspension or termination of this Contract, notices may also be given upon personal delivery to any person whose actual knowledge of such suspension or termination would be sufficient notice to Contractor. Actual knowledge of such suspension or termination by an individual contractor or by a copartner, if contractor is a partnership; or by the president, vice president, secretary, or general manager, if contractor is a corporation; or by the managing agent regularly in charge of the work on behalf of said contractor shall in any case be sufficient notice.

BB. Publicity

 Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, County shall not inhibit Contractor from publicizing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:

- a. Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner.
- b. During the term of this Contract, Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to, publish or disseminate commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of County without the prior written consent of the Contract Manager. County shall not unreasonably withhold such written consent.
- c. Contractor may, without prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with County, provided that the requirements of this paragraph shall apply.

CC. Public Records Act

- Any documents submitted by Contractor; all information obtained in 1. connection with County's right to audit and inspect Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to this Exhibit's Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement, of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records, except those documents that are marked "trade secret," "confidential," or "proprietary" and are deemed excluded from disclosure Government Code 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act). County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, with limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 2. In the event County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "trade secret," "confidential," or "proprietary," Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in connection with any requested action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

DD. Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement

Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted

accounting principles. Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. Contractor agrees that County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks, or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets, and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by Contractor and shall be made available to County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five years thereafter unless County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by Contractor at a location in County, provided that if any such material is located outside County, then, at County's option, Contractor shall pay County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

- In the event that an audit of Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by Contractor or otherwise, then Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with County's Auditor-Controller within 30 days of Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).
- 2. Failure on the part of Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which County may terminate for default or suspend this Contract.
- 3. If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by Contractor to County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to Contractor from County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to Contractor by County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by County for the purpose of this Contract.

EE. Recycled-Content Paper Products

Consistent with Board policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at County landfills, Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible under this Contract.

FF. Subcontracting

The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by Contractor without the advance written approval of County. Any attempt by Contractor to subcontract without the prior written consent of County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract and the County may terminate for this Contract default.

- 1. If Contractor desires to subcontract, Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at County's request:
 - a. A description of the work to be performed by the subcontractor;
 - b. A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
 - c. Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by County.
- 2. Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such subcontractor(s) were Contractor employees.
- Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding County's approval of Contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 4. County's consent to subcontract shall not waive County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. Contractor is responsible to notify its subcontractors of this County right.
- 5. County's Contract Manager is authorized to act for and on behalf of County with respect to approval of any subcontract and subcontractor employees.
- 6. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding County's consent to subcontract.
- Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by County from each approved subcontractor. Contractor shall ensure delivery of all

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such documents to Administrative Services Division, P.O. Box 1460, Alhambra, California 91802-1460, before any subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

GG. Validity

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

HH. Waiver

No waiver by County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of said provision or of any other provision of this Contract. Failure of County to enforce at anytime, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof.

II. Warranty Against Contingent Fees

- Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business.
- 2. For breach of this warranty, County shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate this Contract for default, deduct from amounts owing to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

TERMINATIONS

A. <u>Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child Support Compliance Program</u>

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in this Exhibit's Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program shall constitute a default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 90 calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to this Exhibit's Termination for Default, and pursue debarment of Contractor pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202.

B. <u>Termination for Convenience</u>

- 1. This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than 10 days after the notice is sent.
- 2. After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall:
 - Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
 - Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of Contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by Contractor in accordance with this Exhibit's Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement.
- 4. If this Contract is terminated, Contractor shall complete within the Director's termination date contain within the Notice of Termination, those items of work which are in various stages of completion, which the Director has advised the Contractor are necessary to bring the work to a timely, logical, and orderly end. Reports, samples, and other materials prepared by Contractor under this Contract shall be delivered to County upon request and shall become the property of County.

C. <u>Termination for Default</u>

- 1. County may, by written notice to Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of the Contract Manager:
 - a. Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
 - b. Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required under this Contract, or
 - c. Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five working days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from County specifying such failure.
- 2. In the event County terminates this Contract in whole or in part pursuant to this paragraph, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner, as County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. Contractor shall be liable to County for any and all excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar goods and services. Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this paragraph.
- 3. Except with respect to defaults of any subcontractor, Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs of the type identified in subparagraph 2 above, if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to, acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of the Federal or State government in its sovereign capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.
- 4. If, after County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this paragraph, it is determined by County that Contractor was not in default

under the provisions of this paragraph or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this paragraph, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to this Exhibit's Termination for Convenience.

- 5. The rights and remedies of County provided in this paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.
- 6. As used herein, the terms "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractor at any tier.

D. <u>Termination for Improper Consideration</u>

- 1. County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, extension of this Contract, or the making of any determinations with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue that same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.
- 2. Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 554-6861.
- 3. Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

E. Termination for Insolvency

- 1. County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
 - a. Insolvency of Contractor. Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least 60 days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code, and whether or not Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;

- b. The filing of a voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy petition relative to Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
- c. The appointment of a bankruptcy Receiver or Trustee for Contractor; or
- d. The execution by Contractor of a general assignment for the benefits of creditors.
- 2. The rights and remedies of County provided in this paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

F. <u>Termination for Nonadherence to County Lobbyists Ordinance</u>

Contractor, and each County lobbyist or County lobbying firm as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of Contractor or any County Lobbyists or County Lobbying firm retained by Contractor to fully comply with County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate for default or suspend this Contract.

G. <u>Termination for Nonappropriation of Funds</u>

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, County shall not be obligated for Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of County's future fiscal years unless and until the Board appropriates funds for this Contract in County's budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. County will notify Contractor in writing of any such nonallocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT WORK

A. Authority of Public Works and Inspection

The Director will have the final authority in all matters affecting the work covered by this Contract's Terms, Requirement, Conditions, and Specifications. On all questions relating to work acceptability or interpretations of these Terms, Requirements, Conditions, and Specifications, the decision of the Director will be final.

B. Cooperation

Contractor shall cooperate with Public Works' forces engaged in any other activities at the jobsite. Contractor shall carry out all work in a diligent manner and according to instructions of the Director.

C. Cooperation and Collateral Work

Contractor shall perform work as directed by the Director. The Director will be supported by other Public Works personnel in assuring satisfactory performance of the work under these Specifications and that satisfactory contract controls and conditions are maintained.

D. <u>Equipment, Labor, Supervision, and Materials</u>

All equipment, labor, supervision, and materials required to accomplish this Contract, except as might be specifically outlined in other sections, shall be provided by Contractor.

E. Gratuitous Work

Contractor agrees that should work be performed outside the Scope of Work indicated and without Public Works' prior written approval in accordance with this Exhibit's Amendments, such work shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort by Contractor, and Contractor shall have no claim, therefor, against County.

F. Jobsite Safety

Contractor shall be solely responsible for ensuring that all work performed under this Contract is performed in strict compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local occupational safety regulations. Contractor shall provide at its expense all safeguards, safety devices, and protective equipment and shall take any and all actions appropriate to providing a safe jobsite.

G. Labor

No person shall be employed on any work under this Contract who is found to be intemperate, troublesome, disorderly, or is otherwise objectionable to Public Works. Any such person shall be reassigned immediately and not again employed on Public Works' projects or providing services.

H. <u>Labor Law Compliance</u>

Contractor, its agents, and employees shall be bound by and shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Labor Code of the State of California as well as all other applicable Federal, State, and local laws related to labor. Contractor shall comply with Labor Code Section 1777.5 with respect to the employment of apprentices.

I. Overtime

Eight hours labor constitutes a legal day's work. Work in excess thereof, or greater than 40 hours during any one week, shall be permitted only as authorized by and in accordance with Labor Code Section 1815 et seq.

J. Permits/Licenses

Contractor shall be fully responsible for possessing or obtaining all permits/licenses, except as might be specifically outlined in other sections, from the appropriate Federal, State, or local authorities relating to work to be performed under this Contract.

K. Prohibition Against Use of Child Labor

Contractor shall:

- a. Not knowingly sell or supply to County any products, goods, supply, or other personal property manufactured in violation of child labor standards set by the International Labor Organization through its 1973 Convention Concerning Minimum Age for Employment;
- b. Upon request by County, identify the country/countries of origin of any products, goods, supplies, or other personal property Contractor sells or supplies to County;
- c. Upon request by County, provide to County the manufacturer's certification of compliance with all international child labor conventions; and
- d. Should County discover that any products, goods, supplies, or other personal property sold or supplied by Contractor to County are produced in violation of any international child labor
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conventions, Contractor shall immediately provide an alternative, compliant source of supply.

2. Failure by Contractor to comply with provisions of this paragraph will constitute a material breach of this Contract and will be grounds for immediate termination of this Contract for default.

L. <u>Public Convenience</u>

Contractor shall so conduct operations to cause the least possible obstruction and inconvenience to public traffic or disruption to the peace and quiet of the area within which the work is being performed.

M. <u>Public Safety</u>

It shall be Contractor's responsibility to maintain security against public hazards at all times while performing work at Public Works' jobsites.

N. Quality of Work

Contractor shall provide the County high and consistent quality work under this Contract and which is at least equivalent to that which Contractor provides to all other clients it serves. All work shall be executed by experienced and well-trained workers. All work shall be under supervision of a well-qualified supervisor. Contractor also agrees that work shall be furnished in a professional manner and according to these Specifications.

O. Quantities of Work

Contractor shall be allowed no claims for anticipated profits or for any damages of any sort because of any difference between the work estimated by Contractor in responding to County's solicitation and actual quantities of work done under this Contract or for work decreased or eliminated by County.

P. <u>Safety Requirements</u>

Contractor shall be responsible for the safety of equipment, material, and personnel under Contractor's jurisdiction during the work.

Q. Storage of Material and Equipment

Contractor shall not store material or equipment at the jobsite, except as might be specifically authorized by this Contract. County will not be liable or responsible for any damage, by whatever means, or for the theft of Contractor's material or equipment from any jobsite.

R. <u>Transportation</u>

County will not provide transportation to and from the jobsite and will not provide travel around the limits of the jobsite.

S. Work Area Controls

- 1. Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Contractor shall maintain work area in a neat, orderly, clean, and safe manner. Contractor shall avoid spreading out equipment excessively. Location and layout of all equipment and materials at each jobsite will be subject to the Contract Manager's approval.
- 2. Contractor shall be responsible for the security of any and all of the Public Works/County facilities in its care. Contractor shall provide protection against vandalism and accidental and malicious damage, both during working and nonworking hours.

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

A. <u>Independent Contractor Status</u>

- 1. This Contract is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- 2. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of Contractor.
- 3. Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of Contractor and not employees of County. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

B. Indemnification

Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including, but not limited to, demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses of any nature whatsoever (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Contract, including, but not limited to, claims or damages for property damage, personal injury, death, claims, or damages under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, the California Health & Safety Code or pursuant to any Federal, State, local environmental law, regulation or mandate, administrative, or judicial. Contractor shall not be obligated to indemnify County for the active negligence of County.

C. Workplace Safety Indemnification

In addition to and without limiting the indemnification required by this Exhibit's Section 5.B (above), and to the extent allowed by law, Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless County, its Board, Special Districts, officers,

employees, and agents from and against any and all investigations, complaints, citations, liability, expense (including defense costs and legal fees), claims, and/or causes of action for damages of any nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, injury or death to employees of Contractor, its subcontractors or County. attributable to any alleged act or omission of Contractor and/or its subcontractors which is in violation of any Cal/OSHA regulation. The obligation to defend. indemnify, and hold harmless County includes all investigations and proceedings associated with purported violations of Section 336.10 of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations pertaining to multiemployer worksites. Contractor shall not be obligated to indemnify for liability and expenses arising from the active negligence of County. County may deduct from any payment otherwise due Contractor any costs incurred or anticipated to be incurred by County, including legal fees and staff costs, associated with any investigation or enforcement proceeding brought by Cal/OSHA arising out of the work being performed by Contractor under this Contract.

D. <u>General Insurance Requirements</u>

- Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Contract, Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Contract. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County. Such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.
- Evidence of Insurance Certificate(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be delivered to Administrative Services Division, P.O. Box 1460, Alhambra, California 91802-1460, prior to commencing work under this Contract. Such certificates or other evidence shall:
 - Specifically identify this Contract;
 - b. Clearly evidence all coverage required in this Contract;
 - Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least 30 days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance;
 - d. Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policies, adding County, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Contract; and
 - e. Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insurance retentions as they apply

to County, or require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expenses or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

- 3. Insurer Financial Rating: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to County with an A. M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.
- 4. Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Contract. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.
- 5. Notification of Incidents, Claims, or Suits: Contractor shall report to County's Contract Manager:
 - a. Any accident or incident relating to work performed under this Contract which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within 24 hours of occurrence.
 - b. Any third-party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Contract.
 - c. Any injury to a Contractor's employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-employee Injury Report" to the Contract Manager.
 - d. Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Contract.

E. Compensation for County Costs

In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Contract, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

F. <u>Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors</u>

Contractor shall ensure any and all subcontractors performing services under this Contract meet the insurance requirements of this Contract by either:

- 1. Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of subcontractor; or
- Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of subcontractor insurance coverage at any time.

G. <u>Insurance Coverage Requirements</u>

1. <u>General Liability</u> insurance written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent with limits of not less than the following. (Can be met by a combination of primary and excess insurance coverage):

a. General Aggregate: \$2 million

b. Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: \$1 million

c. Personal and Advertising Injury: \$1 million

d. Each Occurrence: \$1 million

- 2. <u>Automobile Liability</u> written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent with a limit of liability of not less than \$1 million for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned," "nonowned," and "hired" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto." (Can be met by a combination of primary and excess insurance coverage):
- 3. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance providing workers' compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible. If Contractor's employees will be engaged in maritime employment, coverage shall provide workers' compensation benefits as required by the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Jones Act, or any other Federal law for which Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

a. Each Accident: \$1 million

b. Disease - policy limit: \$1 million

c. Disease - each employee: \$1 million

As a condition precedent to its performance pursuant to this Contract, Contractor, by and through its execution of this Contract, certifies that it is aware of, and understands, the provisions of Section 3700 of the Labor Code, which requires every employer to be insured against liability of Workers' Compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with those provisions before commencing the performance of work under this Contract, and agrees to fully comply with said provisions.

- 4. <u>Property Coverage</u> insurance shall be endorsed naming County as loss payee, provide deductibles of no greater than five percent of the property value, and shall include:
 - a. Personal Property: Automobiles and Mobile Equipment Special form "all risk" coverage for the actual cash value of County-owned or leased property.
 - b. Real Property and All Other Personal Property Special form "all risk" coverage for the full replacement value of County-owned or leased property.

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

A. Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. Chapter 2.202 of County Code

Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of County Code, if County acquires information concerning the performance of Contractor on this or other contracts, which indicates that Contractor is not responsible, County may, in addition to other remedies provided in this Contract, debar Contractor from bidding or proposing on, being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts Contractor may have with County.

C. Nonresponsible Contractor

County may debar a contractor if the Board finds, in its discretion, that Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated any term of a contract with County or a nonprofit corporation created by County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on Contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against County or any other public entity.

D. Contractor Hearing Board

- 1. If there is evidence that Contractor may be subject to debarment, Public Works will notify Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before Contractor Hearing Board.
- 2. Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, Contractor Hearing Board will prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation

regarding whether Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. Contractor and Public Works shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.

- 3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of Contractor Hearing Board.
- 4. If a contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of County.
- 5. Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedure as for a debarment hearing.
- 6. Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of Contractor Hearing Board.

E. Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County contractors.

COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

A. <u>Jury Service Program</u>

This Contract is subject to the provisions of County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service (Jury Service Program) as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

B. Written Employee Jury Service Policy

- 1. Unless Contractor has demonstrated to County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employee deposit any fees received for such jury service with Contractor or that Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.
- For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, 2. corporation, or other entity which has a contract with County or a subcontract with a County contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for County under this Contract, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.
- 3. If Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when this Contract commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the

Jury Service Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. County may also require, at any time during this Contract and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Jury Service Program.

4. Contractor's violation of this Section of this Contract may constitute a material breach of this Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Contract and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW PROGRAM

A. <u>Contractor's Acknowledgment of County's Commitment to the Safely Surrendered</u> Baby Law

Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County contractors to voluntarily post County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. Contractor will also encourage its subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the subcontractor's place of business. County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at www.babysafela.org.

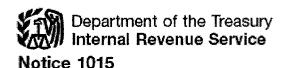
B. Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Exhibit D of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM

- A. This Contract is subject to the provisions of County's ordinance entitled Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- B. Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise.
- C. Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local Small Business Enterprise.
- D. If Contractor has obtained County certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this Contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:
 - 1. Pay to County any difference between this Contract amount and what County's costs would have been if this Contract had been properly awarded;
 - 2. In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1), be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than 10 percent of the amount of this Contract; and
 - 3. Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Nonresponsibility and Contractor Debarment).
- E. The above penalties shall also apply if Contractor is no longer eligible for certification as a result of a change of its status and Contractor failed to notify the State and County's Office of Affirmative Action Compliance of this information.

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Have You Told Your Employees About the Earned Income Credit (EIC)?

What is the EIC?

The EIC is a refundable tax credit for certain workers.

Which Employees Must I Notify About the EIC?

You must notify each employee who worked for you at any time during the year and from whom you did not withhold income tax. However, you do not have to notify any employee who claimed exemption from withholding on Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate.

Note. You are encouraged to notify each employee whose wages for 2006 are less than \$38,348 that he or she may be eligible for the EIC.

How and When Must I Notify My Employees?

You must give the employee one of the following:

- . The IRS Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, which has the required information about the EIC on the back of
- ◆ A substitute Form W-2 with the same EIC information on the back of the employee's copy that is on Copy B of the IRS Form W-2.
- Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC).
- · Your written statement with the same wording as Notice 797.

If you are required to give Form W-2 and do so on time, no further notice is necessary if the Form W-2 has the required information about the EIC on the back of the employee's copy. If a substitute Form W-2 is given on time but does not have the required information, you must notify the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute Form W-2 is given. If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 7, 2007.

You must hand the notice directly to the employee or send it by First-Class Mail to the employee's last known address. You will not meet the notification requirements by posting Notice 797 on an employee bulletin board or sending it through office mail. However, you may want to post the notice to help inform all employees of the EIC. You can get copies of the notice from the IRS website at www.irs.gov or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

How Will My Employees Know If They Can Claim the EIC?

The basic requirements are covered in Notice 797, For more detailed information, the employee needs to see the 2006 instructions for Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, or Pub. 596, Earned Income Credit (EIC).

How Do My Employees Claim the EIC?

Eligible employees claim the EIC on their 2006 tax return. Even employees who have no tax withheld from their pay or owe no tax can claim the EIC and get a refund, but they must file a tax return to do so. For example, if an employee has no tax withheld in 2006 and owes no tax but is eligible for a credit of \$824, he or she must file a 2006 tax return to get the \$824 refund.

How Do My Employees Get Advance EIC Payments?

Eligible employees who expect to have a qualifying child for 2007 can get part of the credit with their pay during the year by giving you a completed Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate. You must include advance EIC payments with wages paid to these employees, but the payments are not wages and are not subject to payroll taxes. Generally, the payments are made from withheld income, social security, and Medicare taxes. For details, see Pub. 15 (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide.

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Newborns can be safely given up at any Los Angeles County hospital emergency room or fire station.



In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE 1-877-222-9723 www.babysafela.org



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This initiative is also supported by First 5 LA and INFO LINE of Los Angeles.

What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safety Surrendered Baby Law allows parents to give up their baby confidentially. As long as the baby has not been abused or neglected, parents may give up their newborn without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwitting to care for a baby can legally, confidentially and safely give up a baby within three days of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a Los Angeles County emergency room or fire station. As long as the child shows no signs of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, workers will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their newborns within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

In most cases, a parent will bring in the baby. The law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have tegal custody.

Does the parent have to call before bringing in the baby? No. A parent can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week so long as the parent gives the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does a parent have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital personnel will ask the parent to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the child. Although encouraged, filling out the questionnaire is not required.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment, if needed. Then the baby will be placed in a pre-adoptive home.

What happens to the parent?

Once the parent(s) has safely turned over the baby, they are free to go.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned by their parents and potentially being hurt or killed. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. The parents who committed these acts may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their infants. Abandoning a baby puts the child in extreme danger. It is also itegal. Too often, it results in the baby's death. Because of the Safety Surrendered Baby Law, this tragedy doesn't ever have to happen in California again.

A baby's story

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2002, a healthy newborn baby was brought to St. Bernardine Medical Center in San Bernardino under the provisions of the California Safely Surrendered Baby Law. As the law states, the baby's mother did not have to identify herself. When the baby was brought to the emergency room, he was examined by a pediatrician, who determined that the baby was healthy and doing fine. He was placed with a loving family while the adoption process was started.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a newborn, let her know there are other options.

It is best that women seek help to receive proper medical care and counseling while they are pregnant. But at the same time, we want to assure parents who choose not to keep their baby that they will not go to jail if they deliver their babies to safe hands in any Los Angeles County hospital ER or fire station.

Sin bena. Sin culpa. Sin peligro.

Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura en la sala de emergencia de cualquier hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.



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¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro de California permite a los padres entregar a su recién nacido confidencialmente. Siempre que el bebé no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, padres pueden entregar a su recién nacido sin ternor a ser arrestados o procesados.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura, dentro de los tres días del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de una sala de emergencias o de un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre recibirá un brazalete iqual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden empezar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Angeles, al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido? En la mayoría de los casos, los padres son los que llevan al bebé. La ley permite que otras personas lleven al bebé si tienen la custodia legal del menor.

¿Los padres deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé? No. El padre/madre puede llevar a su bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, mientras que entregue a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o de un cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital le pedirá que liene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para los cuidados que recibirá el bebé. Es recomendado llenar este cuestionario, pero no es obligatorio hacerlo.

¿Qué ocurrirá con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y, de ser necesario, recibirá tratamiento médico. Luego el bebé se entregará a un hogar preadoptivo.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre?

Una vez que los padres hayan entregado a su bebé en forma segura, serán libres de irse.

¿Por qué California hace esto?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés del abandono por parte de sus padres y de la posibilidad de que mueran o sufran daños. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Es posible que los padres que cometieron estos actos hayan estado atravesando dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus recién nacidos porque tenían miedo y no tenían adonde recurrir para obtener ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido lo pone en una situación de peligro extremo. Además es ilegal. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. Ahora, gracias a la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro, esta tragedia ya no debe suceder nunca más en California.

Historia de un bebé

A las 8:30 a.m. del jueves 25 de julio de 2002, se entregó un bebé recién nacido saludable en el St. Bernardine Medical Center en San Bernardino, en virtud de las disposiciones de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro. Como lo establece la ley, la madre del bebé no se tuvo que identificar. Cuando el bebé llegó a la sala de emergencias, un pediatra lo revisó y determinó que el bebé estaba saludable y no tenía problemas. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia, mientras se iniciaban los trámites de adopción.

Cada recién nacido merece una oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele qué otras opciones tiene.

Es mejor que las mujeres busquen ayuda para recibir atención médica y asesoramiento adecuado durante el embarazo. Pero al mismo tiempo, queremos asegurarles a los padres que optan por no quedarse con su bebé que no irán a la cárcel si dejan a sus bebés en buenas manos en cualquier sala de emergencia de un hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.

Award information has not been added at this time.

Bid Information

Bid Number: PW-ASD 665

Bid Title: County Departmental Recycling And Education Program (2007-AN021)

Bid Type: Service **Department:** Public Works

Commodity: EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH SERVICES

Open Date: 4/4/2007

Closing Date: 4/16/2007 2:00 PM

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Bid Amount: \$ 175,000 Bid Download: Not Available

Bid Description: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Public Works requests proposals for a contract for the County Departmental

Recycling and Education Program (2007-AN021). The total annual contract amount of this service is estimated to be \$175,000. If not enclosed with this letter, the Request for Proposals (RFP) with contract specifications, forms, and instructions for preparing and submitting proposals may be requested by

accessing this link at ftp://dpwftp.co.la.ca.us/solicitationdocuments/cdrp.pdf or from

Mr. Edwin Manoukian at (626) 458 4057, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A Proposers' Conference will be held on Monday, April 16, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. at Public Works Headquarters, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803, in Conference Room D. ATTENDANCE BY THE PROPOSER OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AT THE

CONFERENCE IS MANDATORY. Public Works will reject proposals from those whose attendance at the Conference cannot be verified. Attendees should be prepared to ask questions at that time about the specifications, proposal requirements, and contract terms. After the Conference, it may be impossible to respond to further requests for information.

The deadline to submit proposals is Monday, April 30, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. Please direct your questions to Mr. Manoukian at the number above.

Contact Name: Edwin Manoukian Contact Phone#: (626) 458-4057

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